

HB 1517 -- MILITARY MEDALLIONS, MEDALS, AND CERTIFICATES

SPONSOR: Nolte

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Veterans by a vote of 13 to 0.

This bill authorizes the issuance of a military medallion, medal, and certificate of appreciation to any veteran who served in World War II, the Korean Conflict, or the Vietnam War as a member of the Missouri National Guard regardless of whether the veteran is or ever was a legal Missouri resident.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2013, FY 2014, and FY 2015.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill allows these awards to be given to non-resident veterans who served in the Missouri National Guard and also deserve this special recognition.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Nolte; and Dewey Riehn, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Missouri Department and Missouri Association of Veterans Organizations.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.